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SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION TRANSMITTED
UNDER ARTICLE 73 e OF THE CHARTERCorrigendum to the Summary Record of the
eighth meetingPage 4 line 25:

delete from "toAfrica" and
substitute: "proposing to send a
working group to visit the Union of
South Africa, the Rhodesias and
Nyasaland."

line 26:

delete "and he regretted" and
substitute "but",

lines 30 and 31: delete from "and where" to the end of
the page and substitute: "but where
this was impracticable had established
statutory wage-fixing machinery, which,
of course, took account of the"

Page 7 line 18:

insert at the end of the line "stated
that the information constitutes no
answer to a number of vital questions
concerning labour, and he particularly ..."

Page 9 line 20:

for "recruitment of workers" read
"recruitment of workers by administra-
tive action."

delete line 29 to page 11 line 17 and
substitute:

"Mr. Fletcher-Cooke (United Kingdom)

agreed with the representative of Belgium and replied to the
remarks of the delegate for the U.S.S.R. as to the
effectiveness of Trade Unions in Kenya. There were nine newly

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formed, registered Trade Unions in existence. They had not supplied the numbers of their memberships and they had found difficulty in selecting officers capable of administering their affairs in conformity with the Trade Union legislation. Therefore they could not be said to be effective.

Regarding the Gold Coast disturbances, he referred members to the report of The Commission of Enquiry (Colonial Paper No.231), which stated that the Trade Union Congress of the Gold Coast had said very little during the Enquiry about wages or working conditions. The Congress had not even mentioned the question in its memorandum to the Commission, although in discussion it had referred to the discrepancy between African and European wages. Even then the representations made to the Commission were not such as to lead it after a full consideration of the facts to recommend that at this stage there should be an Enquiry into the general wage structure of the Gold Coast. Regarding wages in the mining and cocoa-farming industry, the Commission had received no complaints from the Trade Union Congress.

He hoped that these facts would be sufficient to refute the Soviet representative's contention that "miserly wages" were the principal cause of the disturbances.

With reference to racial discrimination, he wished to point out that Mr. Grantley Adams, an "indigene" from Barbados, had just been appointed an Alternate Delegate to the United Kingdom Delegation to the General Assembly."

Page 11 lines 25 and 26: delete the sentence: "He objected to the criticism of the Soviet Union's foreign policy."

last two lines: delete and substitute "Mr. GARREAU (France) declared that he"